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COMMERCIAL SHOPS CONSTRUCTED IN POSTAL CIRCLE
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the number of post offices in the Delhi Postal Circle in which commercial shops have been constructed and the amount of expenditure incurred thereon;

(b) the main purpose thereof;

(c) the number of shops since allotted and the number of those yet to be allotted; and

(d) the profit earned by the department from the rental of these shops?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) Sir, vacant space available in 20 Post Offices in Delhi was provided for functioning of 23 Post Shoppe during 1995-96. No additional construction was made for the purpose and hence no expenditure was incurred.

(b) For the purpose of selling stationery, greeting cards, packing materials, books and magazines etc. and to earn non tariff revenue for the department.

(c) Twenty three Post Shoppe were allotted and all except one allotted to UTI (Unit Trust of India) for ATM (Automatic Telling Machine) facility in New Delhi General Post Office were closed down in 2002. No proposal for allotting shops is pending.

(d) The income was Rs.12, 21,732/- per annum upto 2002. The income from the space allotted to UTI in New Delhi General Post Office is Rs.52204/- per month.